GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:141
ANSWERED ON:02.08.2006
FOUR LANING OF EAST- SOUTH CORRIDOR
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government to complete four laning of East- South corridor from Kolkata to Chennai;

(b) the estimated cost of the project;

(c) the target date set for the completion of the project; and

(d) the progress made so far in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI T. R. BAALU)

(a) to (d) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 141 TO BE ANSWERED ON 2ND AUGUST, 2006 ASKED BY SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB AND SHRI ANANTA NAYAK REGARDING FOUR LANING OF EAST-SOUTH CORRIDOR.

(a) Presumably, Kolkata to Chennai Corridor of Golden Quadrilateral (GQ) has been referred as East-South Corridor from Kolkata to Chennai. The total length of this corridor is 1684 km. Four laning in 1551 km has already been completed. Following steps have been taken by National Highways Authority of India to expedite completion of the balance length of 133 km:

(i) Grant of discretionary advance and also relaxation in minimum Interim Payment Certificate (IPC) have been made to the contractors to overcome their cash flow problems.

(ii) Regular meetings are held between NHAI Officials and Nodal officers of the State Government and works are monitored to mitigate the problems like land acquisition, shifting of utilities, law and order problems etc.

(iii) Civil contracts in cases where contract had been rescinded i.e. Ichapuram-Ganjam and Champavati-Srikakulam sections of NH-5 have been re-awarded.

(b) The estimated cost of Chennai-Kolkata Corridor of the GQ is Rs.7948 Crores.

(c) Details are given in Annexure-I.

(d) The progress made so far in this Corridor is 92%

ANNEXURE −I

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (c) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 141 TO BE ANSWERED ON 2nd AUGUST, 2006 ASKED BY SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB AND SHRI ANANTA NAYAK REGARDING FOUR LANING OF EAST-SOUTH CORRIDOR.

STATUS OF THE BALANCE STRETCHES IN CHENNAI -KOLKATA ARM OF GOLDEN QUADRILATERAL

Sl No.	Stretches	Total Length (in km.)	4-laning completed (in km.)	Balance four laning to be completed (in km.)	Target date of completion
1.	Champavati River - Srikakulam in Andhra				

Pradesh (km. 49.00 to km. 97.00) 48.00 42.00 6.00 December, 2006
2. Khurda - Bhubaneswar in Orissa
(km. 387.700 to km 414.000) 27.15 22.75 4.40 December, 2006
3. Bhadrak – Balasore in Orissa
(km 136.500 to km 199.141) 58.54 33.54 25.00 December, 2007
4. (Bridge Package) Chandikhole - Balasore in Orissa
(km 61/0 to 199.141) 11.59 5.39 6.20 December, 2006
5. Sunakhala – Ganjam in Orissa
(km 338.000 to km 284.000) 56.16 21.412 34.748 December, 2007
6. Ganjam - Ichapuram in Orissa
(km 284.000 to km 233.000) 50.80 0.00 50.80 November, 2008
7 Laxmannath- Balasore in Orissa
(km 53.410 to km 0.00) 53.41 48.81 4.60 March, 2007
8. Dhankuni- Kolaghat in West Bengal
(Km.17.6-Km.72) 54.40 54.40 - Dec.2006
9. (Bridge Package) in West Bengal
(Km.17.6 to Km 136) 1.732 0.48 1.252 March 2007
10. (Bridge Package) in Orissa/West Bengal
(Km.0-Km.119.275) 0 0 0 August 2006
Total 361.782 228.782 133.00